Statement
of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the D.P.R.K. issued on December 12, 1960 a statement in connection with the current situation in the Republic of the Congo created due to the outrageous interference and aggression by the U.S. imperialists.

The statement reads in full:

The situation of the Republic of the Congo has today been extremely aggravated and the national independence of the Congolese people is in a grave crisis owing to the high-handed interference and aggression by the U.S. imperialists.

Recently the U.S. imperialists and their accomplices instigated the Mobutu band, their placemen, to illegally arrest Lumumba, Prime Minister of the legitimate government of the Republic of the Congo, Chairmen of the Upper and Lower Houses of the Parliament and other leaders and patriots, and barbarously persecute them.

Thus, the activities of the legitimate government of the Republic of the Congo enjoying the absolute support of the popular masses have been completely suspended.

This is the result of the sinister machinations persistently perpetrated by the U.S. imperialists since the proclamation of independence of the Republic of the Congo to overthrow the legitimate government of Lumumba and turn the Congo into their complete colony.

Pursuing their own aggressive aim through U.N. Secretary-General Hammarskjold, their servant, the U.S. imperialists have continuously defended the Belgian colonialists, steadily paralysed the functions of the lawful government of Lumumba by pulling wires behind the "U.N. Command" and deprived the Republic of the Congo led by Lumumba of its legitimate representation in the United Nations.

At the same time, the U.S. imperialists instigated the Mobutu gang, their jackals, to perpetrate all kinds of outrages and reduce the Congo to a lawless land.

The Mobutu gang, under the instigation and support of the U.S. imperialists, have illegally expelled the embassies of the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Ghana in the Congo, severed diplomatic relations with the United Arab Republic and are threatening the diplomatic representatives of other countries which support the legitimate central government of the Congo.

The ringleader of all these criminal acts is the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

By strangulating the just struggle of the Congolese people for winning complete national independence, the U.S. imperialists are frantically trying to bar the struggle of the Asian and African peoples for winning and upholding social progress and national independence and place them under their subjugation.

Such aggressive scheme of the U.S. imperialists is a grave challenge not only to the Congolese people but also to all the other African peoples as well as the world peaceloving people and a menace to peace and security of the world.

The Korean people resolutely denounce and condemn with burning indignation the wanton, aggressive acts of the U.S. imperialists against the Congo.

We strongly hold that the interference and aggression perpetrated against the Congo

by the Belgian and other imperialist powers headed by U.S. imperialism under the U.N. signboard should be immediately terminated, Mobutu and other criminals be punished and the rebellious units be disarmed.

The Korean people strongly hold that the barbarous persecution of Lumumba and other leaders of the Congo should be brought to an immediate end, they should be released at once and the functions of the legitimate government headed by Lumumba and the Parliament of the Republic of the Congo be restored without delay.

Today the U.S. imperialists are perpetrating vicious aggression against national independence and freedom and disturbing peace and security not only in the Congo but in all parts of the world.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors occupied the southern part of our country, turned it into their colony and military base and are ruthlessly suppressing the South Korean people.

In our country too, the U.S. imperialist aggressors are trying to cover up their heinous crime and persistently hampering the peaceful unification of Korea by stealing the signboard of the United Nations.

All these facts show with crystal clarity that U.S. imperialism is the chieftain of contemporary colonialism, the bulwark of world reaction and the common enemy of the world people.

As proved by historical experiences, the imperialist aggressors do not step down of their own accord and the people can win ultimate victory only by uniting firmly and waging a decisive struggle against the imperialist aggressors for national independence and freedom.

The Korean people who are struggling for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressive troops from South Korea express firm solidarity with and full support to the just struggle of the Congolese people for national independence against the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys.

Together with the Congolese people, together with the peoples of all other countries fighting against imperialist aggression, the Korean people will struggle more resolutely against U.S. imperialism, the common enemy.

The people who have risen up in the just, patriotic struggle for freedom and liberation can defeat any aggressor if they courageously struggle to the end in close unity.

The Korean people are convinced that the Congolese people enjoying the firm support of the socialist camp and the peaceloving people the world over will honourably defend the independence of their country by struggling in one body against the U.S. imperialist aggressors and their stooges.

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Pyongyang

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the D.P.R.K. issued on December 15, 1960 a statement in connection with the grave state of war created in Laos by the open aggressive acts of the U.S. imperialists against the Laotian people.

The statement reads in full:

Today the U.S. imperialists are carrying out open aggressive acts against the Laotian people.

Thus, a grave state of war has been created in Laos.

To turn Laos into their aggressive military base and colony, the U.S. imperialists have long threatened and interfered in the government of the Kingdom of Laos in every way and systematically reared the traitors to the Laotian people as their placemen for aggression.

The U.S. imperialists are aggrandizing the aggressive war in Laos by supplying various types of weapons and ammunition to and directly commanding the Phoumi Nosavan clique, traitors to the Laotian people and their lackeys.

The U.S. imperialists are scheming to drag the aggressive SEATO bloc into the war against the Laotian people, making the reactionary regime of Thailand, its member state, provide its territory for a base for the aggressive war and hurling the Thai troops into the war against the Laotian people.

Such action of the U.S. imperialists is a crude violation of the Geneva Agreement on the Indochinese question, an open aggression long prepared and perpetrated against Laos, a challenge to the Asian and world peoples and a grave menace to world peace and security.

All these facts once again clearly show that the U.S. imperialists are the truculent enemy of peace and national independence and chieftain of imperialist aggression.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people trenchantly denounce the nefarious intervention and aggression against Laos by the U.S. imperialists and Thai reactionary regime and strongly demand the U.S. imperialists and their stooges to take their hands off Laos at once.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people extend full support to and express firm solidarity with the Laotian people who are waging courageously the just struggle for safeguarding the national independence of their country. And they fully support the government of the Kingdom of Laos pursuing a policy of peace, neutrality and national independence.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea wholeheartedly supports the stand taken toward Laos by the governments of the Soviet Union, the Chinese People's Republic and the Vietnam Democratic Republic, participants of the Geneva Conference on the Indochinese question.

The Korean people are firmly convinced that the struggle of the Laotian people enlisting the active support and encouragement of the Asian people and the people throughout the world will certainly emerge victorious.

Should the U.S. imperialists keep up their aggressive war against the Laotian people in defiance of the opposition and protest of the Korean people and the people the world over, they must bear full responsibility for all the consequences arising therefrom.

December 15, 1960

Statement
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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the D.P.R.K. issued on December 17, 1960 a statement in connection with the grave situation created by the barbarous mass slaughter the French imperialists are perpetrating recently in Algeria while continuing the colonial predatory war.

The statement reads in full:

The French imperialists are further frantically perpetrating bloody massacre in Algeria recently, while continuing the barbarous aggressive war there.

The French aggressive troops and police ruthlessly slaughtered and are slaughtering a large number of Algerian people who rose up in Algiers and many other Algerian cities on December 11, 12, and 13 in a just struggle against the deceptive "referendum" of the French imperialists aimed at continuing their colonial rule and for national independence.

In the Kasbah quarter in the city of Algiers, 200,000 bare-handed Algerian people are tightly surrounded by the French aggressive troops and are in danger of being massacred.

Such fact patently exposes that the deeper into bankruptcy the aggressive policy of the imperialists goes, the more brutal they become in their attempt to suppress the people who have risen up in a just struggle.

Today the colonial predatory policy and atrocities of the French imperialists in Algeria are being carried out with the systematic backing and aid of the U.S. imperialists.

The U.S. imperialists are helping the military operation of the French imperialists by continuously supplying to them various types of weapons for slaughtering Algerian people and by other means.

On the 12th when the mass slaughter was carried out in Algeria the U.S. imperialists brazenly declared that the United States could only hope that de Gaulle's plan would not be set back.

But with no bestial act and atrocity can the French imperialists backed by the U.S. imperialists break the fighting spirit of the Algerian people who are resolutely struggling for national independence and freedom nor escape an ignominious defeat.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people resolutely denounce and protest against with burning indignation the criminal outrages the French imperialists are carrying out in Algeria.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people will continue in the future, as they have done in the past, to spare no active support and encouragement to the righteous struggle of the Algerian people and the Provisional Government of the Algerian Republic against French imperialism and for winning national independence and freedom.

The Korean people strongly hold that the French imperialists' criminal aggressive act of slaughtering Algerian people be brought to an immediate end and the French aggressive troops pull out of Algeria.

The Korean people are firmly convinced that the Algerian people will certainly emerge victorious from the sacred struggle for national independence and freedom, repulsing the French colonialists.

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Pyongyang